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NATIONAL PLANNING EXPERT KEITH KILLOUGH HIRED AS NEW DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION SERVICES FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

LOS ANGELES – After an extensive national search, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) has hired national planning expert Keith Killough to be its new Director of Information Services. Killough will oversee the agency's development and dissemination of socioeconomic and land use data, conduct performance assessments and manage geographic information systems for SCAG's six-county region, covering Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties.

"Keith brings to this position a seasoned and impressive track record of more than thirty-one years of directly related experience in both the public and private sectors in Southern California, Michigan, Washington, D.C. and Boston," said SCAG Executive Director Mark Pisano. "We are very excited about the tremendous assets that Keith will bring to the SCAG team."

Killough previously served as Deputy Executive Director of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority for Countywide Planning and Development. He also worked for the Southern California Rapid Transit District (RTD) as a Planning Manager in Planning Systems/Policy and Analysis and was the Interim Director of Planning at RTD for six months. Killough worked as a Transportation Engineer for the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments in the early part of his career as well as at Barton - Aschman Associates, Inc. in Washington, D.C. as a transportation planner.

Killough holds a Bachelors of Science Degree in Urban Studies and Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass. He is an active member of the American Planning Association, American Institute of Certified Planners, Transportation Research Board and a panel member of the USDOT Travel Model Improvement Program.

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